

## 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

And it happened that,  
while [Jesus] was with  
them at table, he took  
bread, said the blessing,  
broke it, and gave it to  
them. - Lk 24:30-31

April 23, 2023

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# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

**KNOW** and celebrate our Catholic Faith,

**LOVE** God and our neighbor,

**SERVE** as disciples of Jesus Christ.



## WORSHIP

### Location

9100 93rd Avenue North  
Brooklyn Park, MN, 55445

### Masses

Monday-Friday at 8 AM

Saturday at 5 PM

Sunday at 7:30 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM

## SACRAMENTS

### Reconciliation

Weekdays: 7:30 AM

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 PM

*Or call to schedule an appointment.*

### Baptisms:

Call the office at 763-425-2210.

### Matrimony:

Call the office at 763-425-2210.

## CONTACT

### Online

[saintvdp.org](http://saintvdp.org)

### E-Mail

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### Parish Office

(763) 425-2210

### School Office

(763) 425-3970

## From Our Pastor

We acknowledge Earth Day this weekend.

God created this planet as a perfect, ordered, pristine vessel. How it sickens our hearts to see God's gift of nature polluted and blighted. We hear too often in the news how nature can be wounded – by the train derailment that caused toxic chemicals to spill in Ohio, for example, and more recently by noxious smoke from the fire at a recycling plant in Indiana.

It's hard to see. It also reminds us that God's plan for us is that which is natural, pure, ordered, and life-giving. There are vulgar and deadly forces in our world that are raging against what is holy and good. That's the battle of all creation.

We are the most central agent of creation. Scripture tells us that we are dust. The best way that we can help the planet is by turning away from all in our own lives and bodies all that is unnatural, perverted, and disordered.

Remember when wholesomeness was valued? Celebrate Earth Day by contributing to a wholesome environment around you. Bless the planet. Rediscover the joy of good, clean, natural, holy fun.



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## Baptized into the Family of God

**March 5, 2023**

Owen Michael & Lyla Sarah, son and daughter of Michael & Melissa Bramwell  
Caden James, son of Brian & Bethany Dillon  
Hannah Mae, daughter of Brandon & Kelsey Kistler  
Cecilia Grace, daughter of Brian & Laurel Kurt  
Rhys Ryan, son of Ryan & Alyssa Rinehart



**March 19, 2023**

Cameron Timothy, son of Tony & Devony Moore  
Genevieve Lily,  
daughter of Justin Johnson & Lindsey Prochaska

The deadline for bulletin articles is Monday at Noon.

## Parish Office Hours

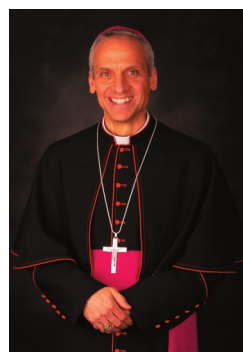
Monday-Thursday: 8 AM – 3 PM & Friday: 8 AM – Noon

## Mass Intentions for April 24-30

Monday	8:00 AM	† Eugene Gustafson
Tuesday	8:00 AM	† Ron Warren
Wednesday	8:00 AM	† Dan Fink
Thursday	8:00 AM	† Tom Boos
Friday	8:00 AM	† Jeff Peterson
Saturday	5:00 PM	† Lawrence Sullivan
Sunday	7:30 AM	† Richard Neuman & † Martin Ahman
	9:00 AM	Parishioners
	11:00 AM	† Bob Wills

## Readings for this Week

Sunday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35
Monday:	Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
Wednesday:	Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday:	Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51
Friday:	Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday:	Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69
Next Sunday:	Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10



Please pray for  
Bishop Michael John Izen  
Consecrated a Bishop  
April 11, 2023



## Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration



To sign up or to be a sub, go online to [saintvdp.org/perpetual-adoration](http://saintvdp.org/perpetual-adoration), or call JoAnne Newman at 763-420-4089.



Sunday:	10 PM, 11 PM
Monday:	5 AM, 6 AM, 8 AM, 11 AM, 4 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM
Tuesday:	6 AM, 7 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 6 PM
Wednesday:	11 AM, 12 PM, 3 PM, 6 PM, 7 PM, 10 PM
Thursday:	<b>1 AM, 2 AM</b> , 6 AM, 9 AM, 12 PM, 6 PM, 8 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM
Friday:	6 AM, 7 AM, 10 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 4 PM, 5 PM, 8 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM
Saturday:	<b>2 AM</b> , 8 AM, 10 AM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 7 PM, 9 PM

NOTE: the hours listed above in black need 1 more adorer. The red ones are urgent because there is no one committed to that hour.



**Please join us in congratulating these parishioners who have celebrated the Sacraments of Initiation! They are listed below with their chosen Saints' names in parentheses.**

**Catechumens (Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation)**

Dominik Namken (St. Michael the Archangel), Rita Zhao (St. Helena), Marisa Simonetti (St. Rita of Cascia), Kimberly Marshall (St. Francis), Aubrey Czapar (St. Anne), and Clayton Campbell (St. Michael)

**Candidates (baptized Christians seeking to become Catholic)**

Steve Valentine (St. Pio Joseph), Tony Busch (St. Joseph), Eric Nickolauson (St. Christopher), James Fitz (St. James the Lesser), Mason McShane (St. Michael the Archangel), Joshua Marshall (St. Peter), Russell Czapar (St. Michael the Archangel), Kimberly Czapar (St. Bernadette), Jacob Lewis (St. Michael the Archangel), and Emily Marshall (St. Margaret of Scotland)

**Catholics seeking 1<sup>st</sup> Communion/Confirmation**

Autumn Fischer (St. Catherine of Alexandria), Tyson Godar (St. Gertrude), Kayla Coughlin (St. Louise de Marillac), and Jeffrey Diercks (St. Joseph)

*Please also join us in congratulating Russel Fritchman (St. Matthew) and Kiet Truong (St. Padre Pio), who also participated in RCIA and will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in May.*



## ADULT ACTIVITIES

### Church Ladies Event

**Thursday, May 4 from 7-9 PM  
in Regan Hall**

This Church Ladies event will be an Herb "planting" Social—with food, beverages, and a sip and share event centered around how to work in and plant seeds of Holy Moments



throughout our daily lives and to those around us. RSVP's are appreciated for planning purposes at: [www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B4CAFA72FA75-thechurch](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B4CAFA72FA75-thechurch)

### Making Cards with Friends



**Monday, May 1  
from 9:15-11:30 AM  
in the W Mtg Rm**

Join us making greeting cards with friends! Several ideas will be presented, and other ideas are always welcome.

Hope to see you there! Questions?  
Call Joyce at 763-420-5745 or Shirley at 763-670-6231.



PLEASE JOIN US:

**Thursday, May 18, 2023**

St. Stephen's Catholic Church

*Benefiting the moms and babies of our community!*

**Great Food • Cocktails • Fabulous Prizes**



**REGISTER ONLINE AT**  
**[LuxuryBingoAnoka.com](http://LuxuryBingoAnoka.com)**  
or text "AnokaBingo" to 41444

Contact Nyla Middleton, Outreach Director,  
by phone at (612) 709-4100 or email [nyla@supportwcc.org](mailto:nyla@supportwcc.org)

# CAPITOL THURSDAYS

Join the Minnesota Catholic Conference Staff

**2nd & 4th THURSDAYS @ 10 AM**

January - May

**Our Office:**  
525 Park Street, St. Paul  
(FREE Parking)

During your visit to our new office, located next door to the State Capitol, you will have the chance to learn about MCC's public policy agenda to uphold life, dignity, and the common good. We'll then take you to visit the Capitol and meet your legislator. All in about an hour!

**To RSVP**  
Scan the QR code  
or Visit  
[MNCatholic.org/Events](http://MNCatholic.org/Events)

In order for our staff to help arrange a meeting with your legislators, you will need to RSVP no later than noon the Wednesday before your desired Thursday visit.

**SCAN TO RSVP** **MNCATHOLIC.ORG/EVENTS**

### Free Alzheimer's Education

**All presentations below are Mondays from 9:30—11 AM at the Maple Grove Community Center**

**Register with Deb at 612-940-4468 or [dmurphy03@aol.com](mailto:dmurphy03@aol.com).**

**April 24—Dementia Conversations:** Often, conversations with family about changing behaviors can be challenging and uncomfortable. This program provides tips for breaking the ice with your family so you can address some of the most common issues.

**May 22—Healthy Living For Your Brain & Body:** Join us to learn about research in the areas of diet/nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement, and use hands-on tools to help you incorporate these ideas into a plan for healthy aging.

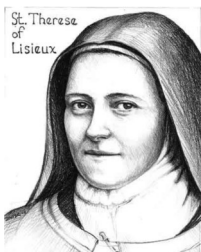
**June 12—Managing Money:** This program will provide you general information on legal, financial and medical issues. It's important to note that this information is not meant to take the place of professional advice.

**July 10—10 Warning Signs:** Join us to learn how to recognize common signs of the disease; how to approach someone about memory concerns; the importance of early detection and benefits of a diagnosis; possible tests and assessments for the diagnostic process, and Alzheimer's Association resources.

**August 14—Effective Communication Strategies:** Communication is more than just talking and listening — it's also about sending and receiving messages through attitude, tone of voice, facial expressions and body language. As people with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias progress and the ability to use words is lost, families need new ways to connect.

## ADULT ACTIVITIES *(continued)*

### Embrace the Little Way and join the Class of St. Thérèse of Lisieux!



This fall, the Catechetical Institute will offer the two-year Pillars Program in-person at St. Patrick's in Edina and via live stream at various satellite sites around the Archdiocese.

Fr. Zehren says, "Many of our parishioners have participated in the Catechetical Institute and have been very blessed and strengthened in their faith."

Classes will be held **on Monday evenings from 7 PM - 9 PM**. The classes are divided into four eleven-week modules with two Saturday morning sessions per module. Learn more and apply online at [cistudent.com/pillars](http://cistudent.com/pillars).

The cost is \$315 per module in person at St. Patrick's in Edina. There are four modules over the two-year period. The \$300 tuition is paid prior to the beginning of each module. (Tuition adjusted for satellite sites is \$225 per module as noted on the application.) Applications will be accepted through August 1, 2023. Questions about the application process or scholarships can be directed to Teresa Gockowski at [gock2334@stthomas.edu](mailto:gock2334@stthomas.edu).

#### 2023 Fall Schedule

Opening Mass: Monday, Sept. 11  
(6 PM at the Cathedral of St. Paul)

Mondays, Sept. 18 - Dec. 11 (St. Patrick's, Edina— 7 PM - 9 PM)

No class: October 9 (Columbus Day)

Formative Sessions:

Saturdays, Oct. 28 & Nov. 18 (8 AM - 11 AM)

#### 2024 Spring Schedule

Mondays, Feb. 5 - May 6

(St. Patrick's, Edina— 7 PM - 9 PM)

No class: March 25 (Spring Break)

and April 1 (Easter Monday)

Formative Sessions, Saturdays, March TBD

& April TBD (8 AM - 11 AM)

## FAMILY & YOUTH ACTIVITIES

### KC Tootsie Roll Drive This Weekend

The Osseo/Maple Grove Knights of Columbus will be handing out Tootsie Rolls after Mass this weekend seeking donations to support children and adults with mentally handicapping disabilities.



Last year we collected \$3,040.79 at St. Vincent de Paul. Those monies went to support the Minnesota Special Olympics, Friendship Ventures/Camp Friendship and Homeward Bound Family Group. Please be generous. Thank you to Fr. Zehren and Fr. Selenski and the church staff for their continuing support of our efforts to assist those with mentally handicapping disabilities.

### Knights of Columbus Awards Banquet



**Saturday, May 6 at 6 PM  
in Regan Hall**

You and your family are cordially invited to attend Council 9139's annual awards dinner.

Mark your calendars and check next week's bulletin for all the details about this annual event to honor our local Knights!

### Totus Tuus Elementary Day Program

**Monday, July 10 - Friday, July 14  
from 9 AM-2:30 PM**

For our young parishioners going into 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade, Totus Tuus is a summer Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship.

The cost is \$55 (includes snacks, lunches, and a t-shirt), and registration is now open at: [saintvdp.org/totus-tuus-registration](http://saintvdp.org/totus-tuus-registration).



### Cemetery Cleanup Next Saturday



**Saturday, Apr. 29 from  
10 AM - 1 PM at  
St. Vincent's Cemetery**

LOVE yard work? Want to perform a Corporal Work of Mercy? Please join us to Spring Clean our cemetery.

Please **bring your own supplies**. If you have questions, call the church office at (763) 425-2210. We can't do this without your help — many hands make light work. Last minute drop in helpers are always welcome. See you all there!

### Congrats, Scholarship Winners!



The Council of Catholic Women is pleased to announce our 2023-24 Scholarship Recipients.

**Rachel Barr,  
Callan Marie Dockry, and  
Samantha Longenecker**

have each been awarded a \$1000 scholarship.

These three young people have demonstrated exceptional commitment to our Catholic Faith, service to our community, and outstanding leadership skills. We wish them success in their college programs and their future careers. Scholarships were awarded at the April 15<sup>th</sup> CCW Spring Brunch.

### Coffee & Company Next Sunday



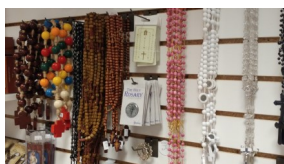
We will be hosting Coffee & Company gatherings of parishioners after all Sunday Masses on April 30. Please join us in Regan Hall after Mass for good company and light refreshments.

# FAMILY & YOUTH ACTIVITIES *(continued)*

## Shopping for an upcoming Sacramental Celebration?



First Communions and Confirmations are coming up, and the parish Gift Shop has many items for the occasions, including First Communion veils, prayer books, Bibles, rosaries and other great gifts for the children.



Need a gift for an upcoming wedding or Baptism? The Gift Shop also has a great selection for those occasions!



Stop in before or after any weekend Mass to see what's new and find the perfect gift for someone else—or perhaps for yourself!

## Receive Youth Ministry Updates



Want to stay up-to-date on the latest in Youth Ministry? Subscribe to YM Weekly and get the quickest updates on events, registration, and other news in SVDP Youth Ministry! Email John Boyle at [johnboyle@saintvdp.org](mailto:johnboyle@saintvdp.org) to sign up.

## Feed My Starving Children

**This Tuesday, April 25 and Tuesday, May 23**

Join our Tuesday team to pack food at Feed My Starving Children (FMSC). Perform a Corporal Work of Mercy - feed God's hungry children!

We pack on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month at the Coon Rapids site located at 401 93rd Avenue NW, Coon Rapids from 11:30 AM to 1:15 PM.

Make new friends and spend time with "old" friends.

After packing at FMSC you are invited to join us for lunch at Dick's Grill and Bar in downtown Osseo. Contact Duane Crosland at [dcrosland@aol.com](mailto:dcrosland@aol.com) to pre-register.



## Knights of Columbus Membership



Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism are the basic principles of the Knights of Columbus. Any man interested in learning more, please call: Robert Moreland at 763-557-0874; Tom Heltemes at 763-425-2314; or Ken Smith at 763-443-4268.

New members are always welcome! Find more information at [kc9139.mnknights.org](http://kc9139.mnknights.org).

## To the Parents of our Youngest Parishioners:



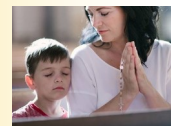
God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house.



**Sit toward the front** where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar.

**Quietly explain** the parts of the liturgy and actions of the priests, deacons, altar servers, choir, etc.

**Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses.** Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.



The presence of children is a gift to the church, and they remind us that our church is growing.

**During those times when they just need to move, the Community Room is available with a monitor streaming the Mass.**



## Sign up to Receive Parish Emails

Go to [saintvdp.org/email-signup](http://saintvdp.org/email-signup) to sign up to receive electronic communications from our Parish. You will receive a weekly email update and other timely reminders of upcoming parish news and events. We respect your privacy and have taken precautions to avoid spamming.



## Follow us on Facebook

To find our page, go to Facebook and type "St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church Brooklyn Park" in their search box. We post daily on our faith and our parish!

## Get Involved as a Gift Shop Volunteer

**Meet other parishioners as you help out in our Gift Shop before and after the weekend Masses!**

It's a small time commitment — about 15 minutes before and after the Mass you usually attend, and you are partnered with another volunteer. We appreciate all kinds of volunteers, including high school students, couples, senior citizens, and parents with their children. If you are interested or want more information, please call Kathleen at 763-420-5000.

## Morning Rosary at SVDP

All are welcome to join us in reciting the rosary each weekday before Morning Mass, starting at 7:30 AM in the Church.



## Electronic Giving

Scan this QR Code with your smartphone to make a donation to St. Vincent de Paul, or log on to [saintvdp.org](http://saintvdp.org) to set up recurring online giving.